

SPECIAL MEETING OF
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AUGUST 12, 2014

The Board of Public Works & Safety met in a special session on Tuesday, August 12, 2014 at 6:00 P.M., E.S.T.

Mayor Brown presided with the following members absent or present:

Present: Jayne Farber, Robert Crider & Caleb Tennis

Absent: Robert Sullivan

Clark Greiner, City of Columbus Code Compliance, explained the procedures for addressing unsafe buildings and housing. Shirleen Shaw appeared in person to discuss a home owned by Mrs. Shaw and her husband, Herschel. The property is located at 1027 Pennsylvania Street. Mrs. Shaw requested time to demolish the structure. Jayne Farber made a motion to modify the order and allow 48 hours to secure the hole in the foundation with a perimeter fence and fourteen (14) days to demolish the property. Bob Crider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Laurel Walls recently purchased property located at 1036 Union Street from previous owner, Mary Boggs. Clark Greiner stated Mr. Walls is currently remodeling the house and has removed a portion of the structure that was burned. Clark recommended the hearing be continued for four (4) weeks to allow progress on the remodeling project. Bob Crider made a motion to continue the hearing until September 9, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. to allow Mr. Walls an opportunity to provide an update on the remodeling of this home. Jayne Farber seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bart Friend appeared on behalf of his property located at 1313 9th Street. He explained he is in the process of remodeling the home, but has experienced theft and vandalism at this location. Jayne Farber made a motion to continue the hearing until September 9, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. with immediate attention to secure the basement entrance and repair access to an open area under the roofline. Caleb Tennis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Brad Grayson appeared as trustee for property located at 1522 19th Street. Owner of the property is listed as Boyd Trust. Mr. Grayson informed the Board the property owners are waiting for an insurance settlement to repair the property, but in the interim the owners have made improvements to repair and secure the home. Clark Greiner stated this home is not deemed to be unsafe. Jayne Farber made a motion to rescind order from the unsafe property list. Bob Crider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

James Francisco appeared to discuss his property located at 2013 N Cherry Street. He explained he has already demolished the home and placed a fence around the perimeter of the basement on the property. Mr. Francisco is seeking professional advice to determine if a modular home can be placed on the open basement. Bob Crider made a motion to continue the hearing until Wednesday, November 5, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. and advised Mr. Francisco to maintain the fencing surrounding the perimeter of the basement. Caleb Tennis seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Mary Young-Bey appeared with her daughter, Lula Young, regarding property located at 2020 6th Street. Miss Young stated she is in the process of requesting quotes for repair to the foundation. Bob Crider made a motion to continue the hearing until October 7, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. and requested Ms. Young-Bey to secure fencing around the hole in the foundation within seven (7) days. Caleb Tennis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Sherry Bornman, owner of 2143 23rd Street appeared, along with her daughter, Lori Hawk. They indicated they would like to repair the home and are in the process of removing debris from the structure. Jayne Farber made a motion to continue the hearing until September 9, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. for a progress report on the repairs. Bob Crider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Annie Green appeared with her friend, Shirleen Shaw, regarding property located at 48 South Hinman. Ms. Green explained the home was damaged in a fire in 2011 and she expressed a desire to remove items from the home prior to any action taken by the Board. Jayne Farber made a motion to continue the hearing until October 7, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. Caleb Tennis seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

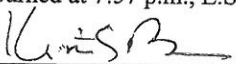
Clark Greiner stated a certified letter was returned unserved to the property owner of 727 Reed Street. Bob Crider made a motion to serve notice by publication on 727 Reed Street. Caleb Tennis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark Greiner explained Felicity Walker, owner of 834 Werner Street, has not contacted city officials regarding the unsafe housing notice. The house has been condemned by the Bartholomew County Health Department. Bob Crider made a motion to serve notice by publication on 834 Werner Street. Caleb Tennis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark Greiner stated Jack and Anna Dixon, owners of 371 Jones Street, have not contacted city officials regarding the unsafe housing notice. Bob Crider made a motion to serve notice by publication on 371 Jones Street. Caleb Tennis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark Greiner explained Nancy Bauman, owner of 1317 9th Street, has not contacted city officials regarding the unsafe housing notice. Bob Crider made a motion to serve notice by publication on 1317 9th Street. Caleb Tennis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m., E.S.T.

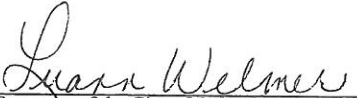

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